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Parks and forests management plan implementation performance indicator

1. Purpose

To report to the Committee on work completed in the implementation of the parks and forests management plans during the 2002/03 financial year in order to meet the performance indicator requirements of the annual plan.

2. Annual plan performance indicator

The 2002/03 annual plan contains the following performance indicator:

The Regional Park and Forest management plans will be implemented within a budget of \$44,000 and reported to the Council following the end of the financial year.

The performance indicator was achieved at a cost of \$18,461.

3. Key aspects of the work programme achieved

One of the key roles of our planning and policy function is to interpret Parks and Forests management plans and policies, and advise both internal and external stakeholders on the implications of various proposals regarding Council land. The following summarises key aspects of the work programme achieved during the 2002/03 year:

- attendance at hearings regarding the Hutt Corridor roading options
- assessment of the Rimutaka Railway reinstatement proposal
- assessment of an application to construct wind anemometer towers in Belmont Regional Park
- attendance at hearings and advising on the Mackays Crossing roading proposal
- advising Transit on the implications of conducting work on the SH2 realignment in Kaitoke Regional Park

- assessment of the Karori Sanctuary's request to take native birds from the Akatarawa Forest
- attendance at meetings and advising on requests from ARAC committee members regarding 4WD access to Council lands
- assessment and advising on the Wainuiomata/Orongorongo access plan
- processing and advising on concession applications
- processing filming contracts as required
- advising on major events in the parks and forests, including the Karapoti Classic, Big Day Out, Battle Hill Farm Food Festival, the Big Coast and various car rallies
- responding to a number of requests from the public for both commercial and non-commercial uses of the parks and forests.

4. Communication

This report is part of the verification process for meeting Annual Plan performance indicators. The public will be advised through the Council's annual report and associated news releases etc.

5. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. *receive* the report.
- 2. *note* the contents of the report.

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